Second Sunday of Easter
April 03, 2005

Faith Sharing Readings and Questions

Acts 2: 14, 22-28 Peter 1: 17-21 Luke 24: 13-35

Theme: It is Jesus who makes us one!

Question for Adults: The disciples only recognized Jesus after he blessed and broke the bread. When have you blessed a member of your family? When have you shared a meal with your neighbors or someone who is a shut-in?

Question for Children: Jesus was with the disciples in a special way. How do you know that Jesus is with you?

Mon., April 04, 2004
Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord
Is 7:10-14; 8:10 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38
5:45 p.m. – Liturgy of the Eucharist
Intention: Repose of Terry Schivo & Comfort for her Family
Office Hours - 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m. – Lay Ministry
7:30 Y.E.S.

Tues., April 05, 2004
Acts 4:32-37 Jn 3:7b-15
5:45 p.m. – Liturgy of the Eucharist
Intention: Birthday of Grace Weaver
Office Hours – 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
6:00 p.m. - Vocations Dinner in Rectory
7:00 p.m. – Boy Scouts

Wed., April 06, 2004
Acts 5:17-26 Jn 3:16-21
No Mass
Office Hours – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Food Pantry – 9:00 – 12:00 p.m.
6:00 p.m. – Wednesday Meal
7:00 p.m. - YF Class

Thur. April 07, 2004
Memorial of Saint John Baptist de la Salle
Acts 5:27-33 Jn 3:31-36
No Mass
Office Hours – 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m. – Marriage Prep Class

Fri., April 08, 2004
Acts 5:34-42 Jn 6:1-15
Office Hours – 9:00 a.m.
No Mass

Sat., April 09, 2005
Daily Reading
Acts 6:1-7 Jn 6:16-21
Sunday Reading
Third Sunday of Easter
Acts 2:14, 22-33 1 Pt 1:17-21 Lk 24:13-35
9:00 am – 11:00 - Share Distribution
9:00 am – 12:00 pm – Food Pantry
5:00 p.m. Mass
Ministry Schedule:
Bread Baker**: Betsy Van Asma**; all three masses
***Altar Servers**: Cody & Courtney Cassen & Ryan Henrickson*
***Euch. Min.**: **Body:** John Osnes*
***Blood**: John Wang, Betsy Van Asma, Wayne Roe & Pat Roe*
***Lector:** Cathy Wang & Pat Roe*
***Sacristan:** Cathy & John Wang*
***Usher**: Jayme & Reggie Hunt*
***Music:** Family Choir*

Sun., April 10, 2005
Acts 2:14, 22-33 1 Pt 1:17-21 Lk 24:13-35
8:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Eucharist
Ministry Schedule:
***Altar Servers**: Caitlin & Kerry Wilson, Kevin Chamberlain*
***Euch: Min.: Body**: John Osnes*
***Blood**: Frank Boner, Judy Wilson, Kevin Rohrbach & Marty Quinn*
***Lector**: Donna Boner & Teresa Thompson*
***Sacristan:** Frank & Donna Boner*
***Ushers**: The Duchenaux Family*
Music: Regina's Minstrels

9:00 a.m. – Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast

9:30 a.m. - YF Class

11:00 a.m. Liturgy of Eucharist
Ministry Schedule:
Altar Servers: Erika Graham, Kaleah & Austin Evans
***Euch: Min.: Body**: John Osnes*
***Blood:** Cary Nickle, Sharon Long, Pat Schubauer & Jan Schurman*
***Lector**: Carrie Baker & Jerry Meyer*
***Sacristan**: Cary & Doug Nickle*
***Ushers**: Jim Hoag & Bryan Lapezynski*
***Music:** Folk Group*

1:30 p.m. – 1rst Communion Meeting & Banner Making

7:00 p.m. – Evening Prayer with Adoration and Benediction

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Blessed are they who have not seen, yet believe. What will it take for me to respond to God's call to priesthood or religious life? (John 20:19-31)

Sparks From Mark

Here is an update on our renovation project. Again we hope to have rendering drawings done by the end of April or the first part of May so that everyone may have a visual of the project. At that point we will have our three meetings with the parish to seek clarification. We will begin the fundraiser piece hopefully by the end of May. The project will take about three to four months to complete. At this point the renovation committee does not feel that we would need to move out of the worship space as the work can be done during the week. A couple of additional pieces, which is really phase three of the original renovation, is we do plan to have the hardwood floor refinished and have the classrooms reworked under the rectory as part of this project as well If you have any further questions please contact Fr. Mark.

Thirty-One Questions on Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament A Resource of the *Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy*
USCCB Publishing

4. What happens as we contemplate the presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament?

When we contemplate Christ present in the Blessed Sacrament we are given the opportunity to thank him for his passion, death , and glorious resurrection, the marvelous sasving act that brought about our redemptiohn. Christ draws near to us, more intimate with us than we are with ourselves. He strengthens our share in his divine life, the life that transforms us into his likeness and, in the Spirit; he gives us access to the Father. As Pope John Paul II reflected in his recent encyclical letter:

"It is pleasant to spend time with him, to lie close to his breast like the Beloved Disciple (cf. Jn 13:25) and to feel the infinite love present in his heart. If in our time Christians must be distinguished above all by the 'art of prayer,' how can we not feel a renewed need to spend time in spiritual converse, in silent adoration, in heartfelt love before Christ present in the Most Holy Sacrament? How often, dear brother and sisters, have I experienced this, and drawn from it strength, consolation and support!"

First Communion Meeting& Banner making is Sunday, April 10th at 1:30 p.m.

Prayer Corner: *Please remember in your daily prayers:*

Trent Matt - Repose
Lindsey Venjohn - Repose
Carol Maicki – Repose
Tom Hislop – Improved health
Joe Hilt – improved health
Daylen & Wade Rhodes – Improved health
Dorothy Johnson – Improved Health
Elizabeth Rohrbach – Improved health
Jackie Konechne – improved health
Mary Jo Spencer – improved health
Trish Kostel – improved health
Justin Judy- improved health
Judi James - for healing
Matthew Bearden - improved health
John Schmitz – improved health
Bob Roseland – repose
Terry Roseland – improved health
Fr. Dale Kutil – Repose
Vickie Bergeron – improved health

STEWARDSHIP
March 26th & 27th
General Collections

Loose	$2,473.69
Envelopes	$2,795.00
Votive	$14.50
Student	$63.35
Adopt a Seminarian	$40.00
Building	$360.00
Rice Bowl	$55.94
Stewardship	$100.00
Total	$5,902.48

Children's Offertory
Here is what a few of them said

Time: "Praying the Rosary"
"**Talent**: "Being at Church"

Parishioner looking for a Sitter/nanny from June to mid-August for 2 boys and a baby in Black Hawk. Driver's license and proof of insurance required. Hours are Mon - Fri. 8 to 5:30 or so. Please call Meredith at 787-5468 if interested.

Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast Sunday, April 10th, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Troop 88 will be making breakfast for a fundraiser. $4.00 for Adults or $12.00 per family. Please come and support Troop 88!

Women's Encounter monthly meeting: Tuesday, April 12th from 7pm to 8:30 pm. All women welcome. Bring a friend!

Bible Study: Starting Tuesday, April 19th from 7pm-9pm at OLBH. Study will meet through the summer. For more info and to register, please call Kathy Van Asma (leave a message) at 787-6218.

Rice Bowl. If you participated in Rice Bowl during lent, please bring them in and you may drop them off at the office or in the collection baskets. Thank you!

Diocesan News:

"No Roe Litmus Test" Campaign Some US Senators require that judicial nominees support *Roe v. Wade*, the Supreme Court decision allowing abortion throughout pregnancy, before they will vote to confirm them for judicial office. Next weekend you will have a chance to learn more about this and to sign postcards to Senators Tim Johnson and John Thune, asking them to not make support for *Roe v. Wade* a condition for confirmations. This nationwide campaign allows you to speak out against this unfair "litmus test"!

Praying the Scriptures; Lectio Divina
St. Martin's Monastery will be hosting a workshop on Lectio Divina, the prayerful reading of the Bible, April 22-24, 2005. Cost is $70.00. For questions on retreat, call Sister Marmion Howe, 343-2688 or Email srmarmion@aol.com

St. Thomas More High School will present Godspell on Friday, April 8th and Saturday, April 9th, 2005 at St. Elizabeth Seton. Both performances will be at 7pm and tickets are available at the door: students $1.00, adults $5.00, families $10.00. The SES/STM Fine Arts Club will host a reception following each performance. Godspell is sponsored by: Omni Home Finance, Black Hills Pediatrics, Behrens Wilson Funeral Home, Bear Country, Shooters and Golden West Technologies. It is produced by special arrangement with Theatre Maximus, 1650 Broadway, New York, NY 10019.

FULL TIME HELP WANTED @ STM
Records Secretary/Administrative Assistant to the Principal Must be detail oriented, accurate and able to work with minimal supervision. Requires excellent communication skills, bookkeeping and computer proficiency. Deadline for applications is April 8th, 2005. Send letter of interest and resume to: Principal Wayne Sullivan, St. Thomas More High School, 300 Fairmont Blvd., Rapid City, SD 57701

The Catholic Church is seeking to find better ways to respond to allegations of sexual abuse by persons representing the Church and to identify additional ways in which abuse can be prevented. If you have been the victim of abuse and are interested in participating in this project by completing an anonymous, confidential web or paper based questionnaire, visit the web site at www.victim-outreach.com between March 30, 2005 and May 4, 2005. You may also contact the diocesan victim assistance coordinator, Maryann Tully, at (605)209.-3418.

Safe Environment for Children & Young People: The Catholic Diocese of Rapid City is committed to creating and maintaining the safest possible environment for our children and young people. To report allegations of sexual abuse, contact the Victims Assistance Coordinator, Maryann Tully, at 1-605-209-3414. All information will be treated confidentially. Alleged victims are advised of their right to report alleged abuse to civil authorities.

April 16 This will be a monthly retreat day, listed in your calendar addenda. Participants experience a time of quiet, scripture praying conferences and shared reflections. It will be a time to practice centering prayer and/or your own prayer practices. You may wish to bring your own Bible. It will be held in Benedict Hall, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Ten dollars will cover refreshments and handouts. (Scholarships are easily available; talk to Sr. Marmion) This is one of four monthly retreats. These days of prayer will be: Apr. 16, August 27, Dec. 17, and January 21. Kindly pre-register. Sr. Marmion Howe (605) 2688 or srmarmion@aol.com

The Spring Retreat, April 22-24, Sister Maria Tasto will come to teach us about praying Scripture. We may already do this, but she will deepen our appreciation of how to prayerfully meet Christ in his Holy Word. Sister is internationally known for her work in centering prayer, and Lectio Divina--sacred reading. The offering of $60.00 covers Retreat expense. The Retreat will be held in the Community Center, and if you wish to stay over-night, make arrangements with Sister Edna Marie, at 343-8011. Registration will begin at 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 22.

Second Sunday of Easter
April 3, 2005

Scripture

- They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life,
  to the breaking of bread and to the prayers. (Acts 2:42)
- My strength and my courage is the LOR and he has been my savior. (Psalm 118:14)
- Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,
  to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you (1 Peter 1:3,4)
- Although you have not seen him you love him; even though you do not see him now yet believe in him, you rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy (1 Peter 1:8)
- Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." (John 20:21)

Reflection

- How important is the Eucharist and prayer to your spiritual life?
  a) Can take it or leave it.
  b) More important when I am troubled or in a crisis.
  c) Feel better when I take the time to pray and receive the Eucharist.
  d) Can't survive without daily prayer and more than weekly Eucharist.
- Describe your feeling of joy for prayer and the sacraments.
  a) Don't see a need.
  b) Feel good about participating.
  c) Daily practice and central to my life.
  d) Overwhelming presence that is central to my sense of well-being.
- What does Jesus mean, "As the father has sent me so I send you."
  e) I don't understand what is expected.
  f) I live a Christian life of loving my family and friends.
  g) I find ways to help the poor and marginalized.
  h) I find ways to build te community of the faithful by participating in the Eucharist and being the Eucharist to others.

The more you pray, the more you want to pray … It's like a fish that starts by swimming near the surface of the water, then plunges and goes on swimming deeper and deeper. The soul plunges, is swallowed up, loses itself in the delights of the conversation with God. [1]
In the quote above replace the word "pray" with "love", "act kindly" or "give generously.")

[1] Vianney, John, *A dictionary of Quotes from the Saints*, Paul Thigpen, Servant Publications, Ann Arbor, MI, 2001, p. 174)